

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An image reproducing apparatus reproducing image information from a recording medium, comprising:

a reproduction processor reproducing the image information stored in the recording medium;

a key input section having a skip key;

a first skip processor, when the skip key is pressed one time, skipping the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor for a first predetermined period and resuming the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor after the first predetermined period is passed; and

a second skip processor, when the skip key is pressed twice in a certain period, skipping the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor for a second predetermined period having the first predetermined period and a third predetermined period which is longer than the first predetermined period and resuming the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor after the second predetermined period is passed.

2. An image reproduction apparatus reproducing image information from a recording medium, comprising:

a reproduction processor reproducing the image information stored in the recording medium;

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a key input section having a skip key;  
a first skip processor, when the skip key is pressed one time, skipping the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor for

a first predetermined period and resuming the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor after the first predetermined period is passed;

5           a second skip processor, when the skip key is pressed twice in a certain period and when a first skip corresponding to the first pressing of the skip key has not completed, skipping the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor for a second  
10       predetermined period which is longer than the first predetermined period and resuming the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor after the second predetermined period is passed; and

15           a third skip processor, when the skip key is pressed twice in the certain period and after the first skip has been completed, skipping the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor for a third predetermined period which is longer than the first predetermined period but shorter than the second  
20       predetermined period and resuming the reproduction of the image information by the reproduction processor after the second predetermined period is passed.

4. An image reproducing apparatus reproducing image information from a recording medium, comprising:

25           a key input section having a skip key for indicating a skip process;

first means, when the skip key is pressed

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one time, for skipping the reproduction of the image information for a first predetermined period and resuming the reproduction of the image information the first predetermined period is passed; and

5           second means, when the skip key is pressed twice in a certain period, for skipping the reproduction of the image information for a second predetermined period which is longer than the first predetermined period and resuming the reproduction of the image information  
10   after the second predetermined period is passed.

5. An image reproduction apparatus reproducing image information from a recording medium, comprising:

a key input section having a skip key;

15           first means, when the skip key is pressed one time, for skipping the reproduction of the image information for a first predetermined period and resuming the reproduction of the image information after the first predetermined period is passed; and

20           second means, when the skip key is pressed twice or more in a certain period, for skipping the reproduction of the image information for a first predetermined period in accordance with a first pressing of the skip key, for skipping the reproduction of the image information for a second predetermined  
25   period which is longer than the first predetermined period in accordance with a second pressing or after of the skip key, and then resuming the reproduction of

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the image information again.

6. An image reproducing apparatus reproducing image information from a recording medium, comprising:

a key input section having a skip key;

5 first means, when the skip key is pressed one time, for skipping the reproduction of the image information for a first predetermined period and resuming the reproduction of the image information after the first predetermined period is passed;

10 second means, when the skip key is pressed twice in a certain period and when a first skip corresponding to the first pressing of the skip key has not completed, for skipping the reproduction of the image information for a second predetermined period which is  
15 longer than the first predetermined period and resuming the reproduction of the image information after the second predetermined period is passed; and

third means, when the skip key is pressed twice in the certain period and after the first skip has been  
20 completed, for skipping the reproduction of the image information for a third predetermined period which is longer than the first predetermined period but shorter than the second predetermined period and resuming the reproduction of the image information after the second  
25 predetermined period is passed.

7. A method for skipping a reproduction image information from a recording medium, comprising

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the steps of:

detecting a press of a key for indicating a skip process;

5 skipping the reproduction of the image information for a first predetermined when the detecting step detects the skip key is pressed one time;

10 skipping the reproduction of the image information for a second predetermined period which is longer than the first predetermined period when the detecting step detects the skip key is pressed twice in a certain period; and

resuming the reproduction of the image information after the skip process is finished.

15 8. A method for skipping a reproduction image information from a recording medium, comprising the steps of:

detecting a press of a key for indicating a skip process;

20 skipping the reproduction of the image information for a first predetermined period when the detecting step detects the skip key is pressed one time;

determining a finish of the skip process;

25 skipping the reproduction of the image information for a second predetermined period which is longer than the first predetermined period when the detecting step detects the skip key is pressed twice in a certain period and the determining step determines a first skip

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corresponding to the first pressing of the skip key has not finished; and

- 5        skipping the reproduction of the image information for a third predetermined period which is longer than the first predetermined period but shorter than the second predetermined period when the detecting step detects the skip key is pressed twice in the certain period and the determining step determines the first skip has been finished.

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